Jesus Knows.

BY LAURA E. N. GROSSNICKLE.

Life is full of sorrows, trials, and vexations. Rich and poor, high and low, great and small, all alike are called upon to pass beneath the rod of suffering. None are exempt. "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth," and over the homes of His best beloved, he lets hang the cloud of suffering and sorrow. Into our homes He sends the angel of death and our heart-strings vibrate in agony over the vacant chair in the family circle. Into our lives He sends disappointments and trials, and our hearts bow down in sorrow. He gives us to taste of the bitter with the sweet.

But O, blessed truth, not a sparrow falleth to the ground but he takes note of it, and not a sigh flutters from the human heart, not a moan escapes our lips, but it echos in heaven and falls upon the ear of our High Priest who can be touched with a feeling of our infirmities. Not a tear falls from our eyes but it is seen by that Eye that never sleeps. Not a sorrow pierces our hearts but it is known by Him who pitieth us like as a father pitieth his children.

Yes, Jesus knows it all; knows alike our joys and sorrows, our hopes and fears, our successes and failures, and His loving heart reaches in sympathy to us. When temptations assail us, He knows just how great is the struggle in our hearts, and it is His arm that holds us up and enables us to overcome, and he will not suffer us to be tempted above what we are able to bear. When cares grow heavier around us, it is His gentle voice that whispers: "Cast your care on me, for I care for you." When troubles come, He will bid us: "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me." When we are weary with the burdens and trials of life, He bids us: "Come unto me and ye shall find rest." When the pathway of life seems dreary he cheers us with his presence and assurance: "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

He knows our every weakness, and He "tempers the wind to the shorn lamb." O then, let us trust Him, let us lean upon Him, let us walk close by His side, and we will find Him a present help in every time of need.

MAPLEVILLE, MD.

Louisville, O.—I feel that I must speak a word of encouragement and tell you how my heart has been lifted up in gratitude for the glorious news contained in, and reported through, your columns. We have every reason to be thankful to God for the great work he is doing for us in the Churches. Every week brings news of sinners coming home to Jesus. There is rejoicing here at Louisville on account of the working of the spirit through the earnest preaching of Brother McFadden and the prayers of the church. We have had a glorious revival and a deep interest was manifested by the people. Brother McFadden, our prayers go with you; you have done a good work, and left many friends here. Brother Kiem has given himself entirely to the work now, and we feel that God will bless him, for he is an earnest worker and an affectionate brother.

Our Sunday-School has been a success. When we organized in the spring, the cry went up from some that the Progressives cannot raise a Sunday-School, but they have been sadly disappointed. We have had a good school. Our scholars have been prompt in attendance and met with a good corps of officers and teachers, and all things have worked lovingly together. How could it be otherwise, with such an earnest worker with a heart full of love and zeal for the Master, as brother Hang, our superintendent, assisted by brother Clapper, in his earnest yet quiet way. They have gained the esteem of the school and all around them. And our teachers with untiring zeal, and Brother Kiem, always there with words of encouragement, no wonder the little folks wait expectantly for the chiming of the Sabbath-School bell on Sunday morning. And best of all, eleven of our young converts that united with us at our revival, were Sunday-School scholars. It is encouraging and we are well repaid to see the results of teaching the young the way of the Lord. Let us all take courage and work for the Master, and great will be our reward.

CORNELIA SYNDER.

The Influence of Woman.

BY MARY A. MURRAY.

Throughout all ages, times, and places, woman has been exerting her influence for good or evil. It makes no difference what her station in life may be, she is influencing some one. She may have sunk into the lowest depths of wickedness and immorality; or have reached the highest steps to fame and fortune, her influence remains with her.

We take up our Bible and turn back to the Garden of Eden and lo! we find she has persuaded her husband to take of that fruit which God forbid them, thus bringing not only sorrow upon them, but on the whole human family. We read further and find it was through her influence Samson revealed the secret of his strength, when all other means failed. She caused enemies to flee from the Children of Isreal, when there was no other means. Even in our day men have been strengthened, to fight their battle, from the thoughts of her.

But oh! the misery, poverty and disgrace that have been brought upon generations through her. While on the other hand what happiness, and comfort she has been the means of affording.

I think woman was created for a blessing instead of a curse, as she too often is.

Who can comfort a heart-broken husband better than his wife? Who, but a kind and affectionate mother, can do with her sons and daughters as she can? How many men have been changed from a life of folly and wickedness, to one of virtue, by the prayer and kindly talks of a mother or sister? We have seen boys yield to the pleadings of a sister when all other means failed. Look at the men who have changed from a life of drunkeness and poverty to one of soberness and prosperity, by a few simple words from his little daughter.

Dear reader, in what way are you influencing those around you? Are you lifting them up in society, leading them to a life that is grand and noble? or, are you tearing down what good principles they have and bringing them on the road to ruin?

We all, by our actions and conversations, are leading those around us in some direction. If our lives be one of virtue, we may do much good in making men's lives better, and bringing souls to Christ.

Sister, if you have a brother going the downward road you can rescue him if you try. If you are the kind and affectionate christian sister that you ought to be, you can lead him to a life that is grand and noble, if you begin now. Do not sit down and mourn and weep over his sad condition, but help him to make it better.

Let us, whether we be mother, sister, or daughter, exert our influence in doing good and bringing our associates to lead better lives, till finally we bring them to Christ. If thus we try to live, our crowns will be sparkling with the jewels we have gathered, when we reach that Happy Place.

Aleppo, Pa.

During the past fourteen years about seven hundred Protestant churches have been built in Madagascar, and all free from debt. There are twelve hundred churches and eighty thousand Protestant communicants. These churches are self-supporting, and last year gave $20,000 for missions. These are the people whose island the French have been attempting to seize and hold.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The Lutheran church in the United States preaches the Gospel in the following twelve languages: German, English, Swedish, Norwegian, Danish, Icelandic, Fennish, Bohemian, Polish, French, Siberian (or Serbian), Slovakian, (or Hungarian), and the Indian dialects.

An election was lately held in Concordia, Kansas, in which the chief issue was, whether the Bible should be read in the public schools or not. There was intense excitement, all the ministers and many of the Christian women being at the polls all day. Out of 964 votes, 684 were for the Bible.

From Oneonta, N. Y., a correspondent writes: "A most gracious revival, led by the Evangelist Rev. A. B. Earle is in progress in Cobbleskill. Over three hundred seekers were in the inquiry-room on Sunday the 22d. Most of the young men of the place have been converted, and many heads of families.

Robert College, at Constantinople, is said to be the source from which the Bulgarian people have drawn the spirit and the intelligence to rise and reassert their nationality. The Prime Minister of Prince Alexander and many of the intelligent residents of European Turkey are graduates of this noble institution.

As a result of a deep and quiet work of grace in the University of Wooster, twenty-six students have confessed Christ and united with the college church. Meetings have been progressing for two weeks, held every evening, and are still in progress. This is one of those precious seasons that have become characteristic of this Christian institution.

Riches are called "useable" that we may use them rightly not keep and bury them, for this is not to possess them, but to be possessed by them. Let us free ourselves from this grievous bondage, and at last become free. Why do we devise ten thousand different chains for ourselves? Is not the bond of nature enough for thee, and the necessity of life, and the crowd of ten thousand affairs, but dost thou twine also other nets for thyself, and put them about thy feet? A great thing it is, that having cut asunder all these cords, thou shouldst be able to lay hold on the city which is above. So many hindrances are there, all which that we may conqner, let us keep to what is necessary. Thus shall we lay hold on eternal life.—CHRYSOSTOM.

King Kwikwi, who drove out the American Board Missionaries from Bailunda, West Central Africa, has certainly shown a good deal of manliness in soliciting their return. He wrote: I have acted very badly to you and those with you. The whole country is before you; only return and be friendly with me. I will do my utmost to restore your things. My people are all crying; we are ashamed. Come back! Do not allow our name to stink everywhere because of Braga's deception!" Braga, it will be remembered, is the Portugues trader who wheedled Kwikwi into believing that the missionaries were his enemies. The king has learned a lesson, doubtless, which he will not be likely to forget.

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12 50pm	11 15pm " Pittsburgh "	7 40pm 5 30am
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